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I. U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Date Issued</u>	<u>Title</u>
3,134,697	5-26-1964	Fuel Cell
5,264,299	11-23-1993	Proton exchange membrane fuel cell support plate and assembly

II. FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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III. OTHER DOCUMENTS

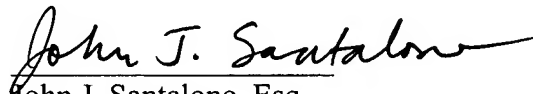
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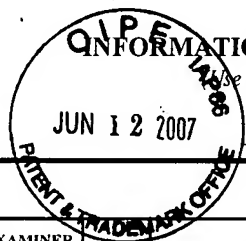
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